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SENATOR McDONALD: Yes, I will.

SENATOR SMITH: In your testi...or in your statement just prior, you mentioned the <u>Spire v. Conway</u> case, and Senator Conway was an employee of the state college system, is that correct?

SENATOR McDONALD: Yes.

SENATOR SMITH: So the state college system is considered a political subdivision in this case?

SENATOR McDONALD: No.

SENATOR SMITH: Okay, so would it...tell me again the relevance of the state college system to this particular bill or resolution.

SENATOR McDONALD: Well, this one is done with political subdivisions which include community colleges and cities but state colleges are not a political subdivision.

SENATOR SMITH: So this resolution really would not address the Spire, Conway situation?

SENATOR McDONALD: Not...well, this was a court case, but he ended up not serving in his capacity as a teacher and went on to serve the Legislature. But we found out that our constitution is a little bit different than the one that was done by the New Mexico court.

SENATOR SMITH: Okay. Thank you. I...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator. You may continue.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you. Thank you, Senator McDonald. I'm a little concerned about the vagueness of the language contained in this resolution. I believe that...I have some concern of what exactly is a political subdivision because I don't think it's defined enough. Is the university system a political subdivision? I don't think that's been clarified. And so I